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and Investigations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Committee on Energy and Commerce  
Washington, DC 20515-6115

**RE: Your Request Dated May 8, 2008**

Gentlemen:

This letter is our second response to your letter of May 8, 2008 requesting certain information concerning food products produced by The Procter & Gamble Company and/or its affiliates ("Procter & Gamble"). Procter & Gamble is dedicated to making life a little better every day for consumers around the world by selling products of superior quality and value. We are proud of our strong record of product quality and safety, and are pleased to voluntarily share this information about our food products.

In our initial letter, we detailed the scope of our response and provided information on three instances where Procter & Gamble has initiated a market withdrawal of food products since 2000. These instances involved products produced in the United States and intended for consumption by U.S. consumers. Each instance was related to package labeling and posed no product quality or safety concern.

Your letter also requested international information, i.e., information related to food products manufactured outside of the United States and imported into and sold by Procter & Gamble to American consumers. Procter & Gamble occasionally imports only one finished food product into the United States and initiated importation of Pringles Stix snacks into the United States in 2007. This finished product is manufactured in a Procter & Gamble facility in Thailand. There have been no market withdrawals of this product (Question 1) since its introduction into the United States and, thus, no instances have been reported to the Food and Drug Administration (Question 5).

Our previous response provided an explanation of how our qualified supplier and raw material testing program (Questions 2 and 3) ensure raw materials are not used in Procter & Gamble's manufacturing processes until they are certified as meeting the company's required standards. These standards apply to all product raw materials whether sourced and manufactured domestically or abroad.

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Your letter also asked (Question 4) for a list of instances where raw materials or finished product were imported into the U.S. and testing indicated the presence of chemical or microbial contamination in excess of applicable FDA or state limits. Procter & Gamble does not normally import food products or ingredients into the United States, except for green coffee, soluble coffee, and the occasional finished product as indicated above. Materials imported by our suppliers are subject to the quality program described in the previous paragraph (i.e., no raw materials with excess levels of contamination go into Procter & Gamble production). For green coffee, soluble coffee, and the occasional finished product imported by Procter & Gamble, there are no instances where testing has indicated excess levels of chemical or microbial contamination.

Finally, your letter asked (Question 6) for a list of instances where FDA or state regulators were denied entrance to any Procter & Gamble facility or denied access (even temporarily) to any records regarding microbiological or chemical testing performed on products processed at the facility. We are not aware of any such instance.

As with our previous letter, we would like to be clear about the scope of our responses. Because your letter refers to "food products Americans purchase and consume," we are providing responses with respect to finished food for human consumption sold by Procter & Gamble in the United States. Thus, our response excludes products sold exclusively outside the United States, as well as drugs, dietary supplements and food intended for animals. Second, the time frame of your questions exceeds our record retention guidelines. We have provided what information we have, but cannot guarantee it is complete with respect to dates that exceed our retention guidelines.

We hope this information has been helpful. Please feel free to contact me if you have any further questions. My contact information can be found at the top of this letter.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'A.G. Lafley', with a stylized, flowing script.

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